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MEDIA STATEMENT

Dam levels in the Free State decreased slightly

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There was a moderate decline in the Free State water dam levels during the past seven days.

The slight decline show that water levels in the reservoirs dipped by 2% from 92, 2% last week to 90, 0% this week.

However, water levels appear to be stable due to last week's low rainfall experienced in some parts of the province.

According to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) dam level daily monitoring report for Tuesday 28 August 2018, levels of major dams in the province are stable – a good and positive news to DWS, Water Service Providers (WSP) and the country at large.

Groothoek Dam is sitting at 53, 9% compared to last week's 54, 5%; Krugersdrift Dam is currently at 98, 4%, which is the same level as last week.

The Bloemhoff Dam is currently at 99, 5%. The water level at this dam was 101, 2% last week. Sterkfontein Dam is currently at 95, 0% from 95, 1% last week. The Erfenis Dam is at 85, 8% from 86, 4% - showing a slight decrease.

The Department is urging the community to use water sparingly and to also conserve this resource as the country approaches the unpredictable summer season characterised by hot and dry conditions due to climate change.

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